# January 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President declared a major disaster in South Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe ice storm from December 15–16, 2005.

# Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

# Submitted January 18

Ben S. Bernanke,

of New Jersey, to be U.S. Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of 5 years, vice Alan Greenspan.

Donald T. Bliss,

of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Richard A. Boucher,

of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Career Minister, to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs, vice Christina B. Rocca.

Gale A. Buchanan,

of Georgia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Research, Education, and Economics, vice Joseph J. Jen, resigned.

Patricia A. Butenis,

of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Robert M. Couch,

of Alabama, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association, vice Ronald Rosenfeld.

Tyler D. Duvall,

of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Emil H. Frankel.

Preston M. Geren,

of Texas, to be Under Secretary of the Army, vice R.L. Brownlee, resigned.

James B. Gulliford,

of Missouri, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Stephen L. Johnson, resigned.

Roger Shane Karr,

of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Nicole R. Nason.

Nicole R. Nason,

of Virginia, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, vice Jeffrey William Runge.

David L. Norquist,

of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, vice Andrew B. Maner.

David C. Sanborn,

of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, vice William Schubert.

Jackie Wolcott Sanders,

of Virginia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

Jackie Wolcott Sanders,

of Virginia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

#### John A. Simon,

of Maryland, to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, vice Ross J. Connelly, resigned.

#### James S. Simpson,

of New York, to be Federal Transit Administrator, vice Jennifer L. Dorn.

#### Mark D. Wallace,

of Florida, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform.

# Mark D. Wallace,

of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, vice Patrick Francis Kennedy.

#### Withdrawn January 18

#### Eugene Hickok,

of Pennsylvania, to be a member of the National Council on the Humanities for the remainder of the term expiring January 26, 2008, vice Sidney McPhee, which was sent to the Senate on October 17, 2005.

# Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as

items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

# Released January 17

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of President Lech Kaczynski of Poland

# Released January 18

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: United States Pledges \$334 Million to Global Fight Against Bird Flu

# Released January 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: President Bush's Pro-Growth and Small Business Agenda

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to South Carolina

# Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.